

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ALTER SECTION 308 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, 1999 (AS AMENDED) TO RESTRICT LEGAL PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF NIGERIA AND JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF NIGERIA AND FOR RELATED MATTERS, 2020

Sponsored by Hon. Igariewe Iduma Enwo

[] Commencement

ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as follows:

1 1. The Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999
2 hereinafter referred to as the ("Principal Act") is altered as set out in this Bill
3 below;

Alteration of
the Constitution

4 2. Section 308 (1) (3) of the Principal Act is altered by insertion of
5 the following words: "and the Chief Justice of Nigeria and Justices of the
6 Supreme Court of Nigeria" as follows:

Amendment of
Section 308

7 Section 308 (1) (3) "This section applies to person holding the
8 office of President or Vice President, Governor or Deputy Governor, The
9 Chief Justice of Nigeria and Justices of the Supreme Court of Nigeria; and
10 the reference in this section to "period of office" is a reference to the period
11 during which the person holding such office is required to perform the
12 functions of the office".

13 3. This Bill may be cited as the Constitution of the Federal
14 Republic of Nigeria 1999 (Alteration) Bill, 2020.

Citation

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill seeks to protect the integrity and independence of the Supreme Court, being the highest court in Nigeria.